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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-98, the applicants wish to make all references listed in the PTO-1449 form enclosed herewith of record in the above-identified application. It is requested that each document cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing on Form PTO-1449. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

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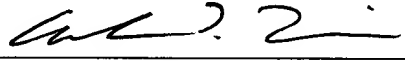
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Respectfully submitted,

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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4.	Vaish et al., "In vitro selection of a purine nucleotide-specific hammerhead-like ribozyme," Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 95:2158-2162 (1998).

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